

ABSTRACT

In providing the brightness to the design of a thermosetting resin decorative sheet, or a decorative paper therefor, the surface irregularity of the brightness (feeling) generated at the time of resin impregnation or thermal pressure molding is prevented without an additional transparent ink layer provided on the paper surface. A decorative paper exhibiting brightness 10, with a bright ink layer 3 containing a bright pigment including the scaly foil of the bright substance on a paper base material 1 as the uppermost layer, using an ink with an urethane resin emulsion used in combination with a water based resin such as a casein resin and an acrylic resin for the ink resin of the bright ink layer, is provided. By providing a pattern ink layer 2 of an ordinary ink therebetween, a better design can be achieved. Furthermore, by impregnating the decorative paper 10 with a thermosetting resin such as a melamine resin, laminating the same with an adherend 6 such as a backing base material 4 and an overlaying paper 5, and carrying out the thermal pressure molding for curing the resin, a thermosetting resin decorative sheet exhibiting brightness 20 can be provided.